

OPINION 1447

Trichomonas Donné, 1836 (Protista, Mastigophora): spelling confirmed

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers it is hereby ruled that the correct spelling of the name *Tricomonas* Donné, 1836 is deemed to be *Trichomonas*.

(2) The name *Trichomonas* Donné, 1836 (gender: feminine), type species by monotypy, *Trichomonas vaginalis* Donné, 1836, spelling emended in (1) above is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *vaginalis* Donné, 1836, as published in the binomen *Tricomonas vaginale* (specific name of the type species of *Trichomonas* Donné, 1836) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(4) The name TRICHOMONADIDAE Grassi, 1882 (type genus *Trichomonas* Donné, 1836) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group names in Zoology.

History of case 245

An application on the spelling of *Trichomonas*, together with four other important protistan genera, was first received in 1926. Unfortunately, consideration of this name was deferred at that time. A draft application was received in 1947 from the late Professor H. Kirby (*University of California*). However the case did not proceed until it was rewritten and published in BZN 43: 218–220 (July 1986). Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to twelve general and two specialist serials. No comment was received.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1987 the members of the Commission were invited to vote for or against the proposals set out in BZN 43: 218–220. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1987 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes — 24: Alvarado, Bayer, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Gruchy, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Melville, Mroczkowski, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Uéno, Willink

Negative votes — none.

No vote was returned by Bernardi.

Original references

The following are the original references to names placed on the Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

TRICHOMONADIDAE Grassi, 1882, *Atti della Società Italiana di Scienze Naturali e del Museo Civico di Storia Naturale*, 24: 141.

Trichomonas Donné, 1836, *Compte Rendu Hebdomadaire des Séances de l'Académie des Sciences*, Paris, 3: 386.

vaginalis, *Trichomonas*, Donné, 1836, *Compte Rendu Hebdomadaire des Séances de l'Académie des Sciences*, Paris, 3: 386.